

Table 2.--Rock and hydrogeologic units in the Green River-Moab area and vicinity

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System	Series	Rock unit		Maximum thickness (meters)	Character	Hydrogeologic unit
Tertiary	Eocene	Wasatch Formation		1,200	Dark-red sandstones and shale	Tertiary and Cretaceous confining beds. Transmit little water.
		Unconformity				
Cretaceous	Upper Cretaceous	Mesaverde Group	-----	2,000	Sandstone with thin coal seams and shale	
		Mancos Shale		600	Dark-gray fissile marine shale	
	Dakota Sandstone		60	Interbedded sandstone and conglomerate, carbonaceous shale, and impure coal		
	Unconformity					
Lower Cretaceous	Burro Canyon Formation		90	Sandstone and conglomerate, green and reddish-purple shale		
	Upper Jurassic	Morrison Formation	Brushy Basin Member	230		Variegated bentonitic mudstone, siltstone, red sandstone and conglomerate, thin limestone beds
Salt Wash Member			130	Lenticular sandstones, mudstone, few thin limestone beds		
Jurassic		Summerville Formation		30	Thin-bedded sandstone, sandy shale, and mudstone	
		Middle Jurassic	San Rafael Group	Moab Member	30	
Entrada	Slick Rock Member			Cross-bedded buff, orange, and white fine-grained sandstone		
	Lower Jurassic		Sandstone	Dewey Bridge Member	45	Red earthy sandstone and siltstone. Contorted bedding. Called Carmel in old reports
				Unconformity		
Triassic(?)	Upper Triassic(?)	Glen	Navajo Sandstone	150	Buff and gray cross-bedded fine-grained sandstone	
		Canyon	Kayenta Formation	90	Lenticular channel sandstone, siltstone and mudstone	
		Group	Wingate Sandstone	150	Fine-grained reddish-brown, thick-bedded, massive and cross-bedded cliff forming sandstone	
				Unconformity		
Triassic	Upper Triassic	Chinle Formation		230	Reddish siltstone, sandstone, and mudstone; some conglomerate	Mesozoic sandstone aquifer. Transmits water through primary and secondary openings.
	Middle(?) and Lower Triassic	Moenkopi Formation		300	Brown shale, mudstone, arkosic sandstone and conglomerate. Thin beds of gypsum locally near base	
Permian	-----	Cutler Formation including the White Rim Sandstone Member		2,700	Red arkosic sandstone and conglomerate, some red sandy siltstone and mudstone	Mesozoic and Upper Paleozoic confining beds. Generally transmit little water except for some sandstones in the lower three units, which are more transmissive.
		Upper and Middle Pennsylvanian	Rico Formation		175	
Pennsylvanian	Middle Pennsylvanian		Hermosa Formation	Upper member	600	Fossiliferous gray limestone, some shale and lenticular sandstone
		Paradox Member		4,000	Mostly bedded salt; some gypsum, carbonaceous shale, and sandstone, and dolomite interbeds	
	Lower Pennsylvanian	Molas Formation	Lower member (equivalent to "Pinkerton Trail Formation" of local usage)	60	Interbedded limestone, dolomite, shale, and anhydrite	Upper Paleozoic confining beds. Transmit little water.
			Unconformity			
Mississippian	Leadville Limestone equivalents		60	Dolomite and limestone		
	Ouray Limestone		Limestone and shale			
Devonian	Upper Devonian	Elbert Formation		90	Dolomite and limestone	Lower Paleozoic aquifer. Transmits water mostly through secondary openings. Dolomites of Leadville Limestone equivalent are very permeable.
		McCracken Sandstone Member			Sandstone, limestone, and dolomite	
		Unconformity				
		Lynch Dolomite		180	Dolomite	
Cambrian	Upper Cambrian	Ignacio Quartzite equivalents		90	Sandstone, siltstone, and shale	Lower Paleozoic and Precambrian confining beds. Transmit little water.
		Unconformity				
Precambrian	-----	-----		-----	Granite and other igneous and metamorphic rocks	